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FOR: POLYPEPTIDES IMPLICATED IN THE EXPRESSION OF RESISTANCE TO
GLYCOPEPTIDES, IN PARTICULAR IN GRAM-POSITIVE BACTERIA,
NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE CODING FOR THESE POLYPEPTIDES AND USE
FOR DIAGNOSIS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Applicants request reconsideration in light of the Request for Continued Examination
filed hereto, the following amendments, and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.